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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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Week Ending 9/25/61

WEATHER Temperatures averaged about 8 degrees below the seasonal normal. Monday, the 18th, was mild; Tuesday through Sunday cool. Scattered precipitation occurred over the west and central Monday through Saturday and in the east Wednesday through Saturday. Rainfall totals up to 1½ inches were common. There was considerable cloudiness, little daily temperature range, considerable wind and moderate to high humidity.

CROPS General precipitation over the State during the past week delayed all field work. The moisture was beneficial, particularly in the western part of the State where high winds have been causing some soil blowing on newly seeded wheat fields. Lower temperatures along with high humidity slowed maturity of row crops. Approximately one-half of the corn crop is rated in the mature stage with most of the remainder dented and only a limited percent in the dough stage. The crop will need about two weeks of frost-free weather to fully mature. There will be a limited amount of soft corn as a result of spotted frost damage that occurred early in the month. Most of this corn is now being harvested for silage. Milo will soon be ready for harvest but most of the early cut crop will need to be artificially dried to lower the moisture content to a safe storage point.

Soybeans are moving toward maturity with leaves mostly gone in many fields. Harvest of safflower in the Panhandle was slowed by wet weather and about 65-75 percent of the dry bean acreage has been harvested. Sugar beets hold promise of a good crop but need some time to fully develop size and a good sugar content. Seeding of wheat is about two-thirds completed with the major portion of the acreage to be seeded in the eastern part of the State where farmers have been waiting for Hessian fly free dates. Nearly 85 percent of the rye has been planted and 95 percent of the legumes are in the ground. Growing conditions have been excellent for new seedings of grass and legumes.

Pasture and range feed benefited from the recent moisture and two weeks of warm weather would encourage growth, making more late feed available.

LIVESTOCK Stocker and feeder cattle sales are moving toward peak volume. The 1961 calf crop is coming off of the ranges carrying good weights. Weather conditions have been favorable for hog producers with litter sizes average to above.

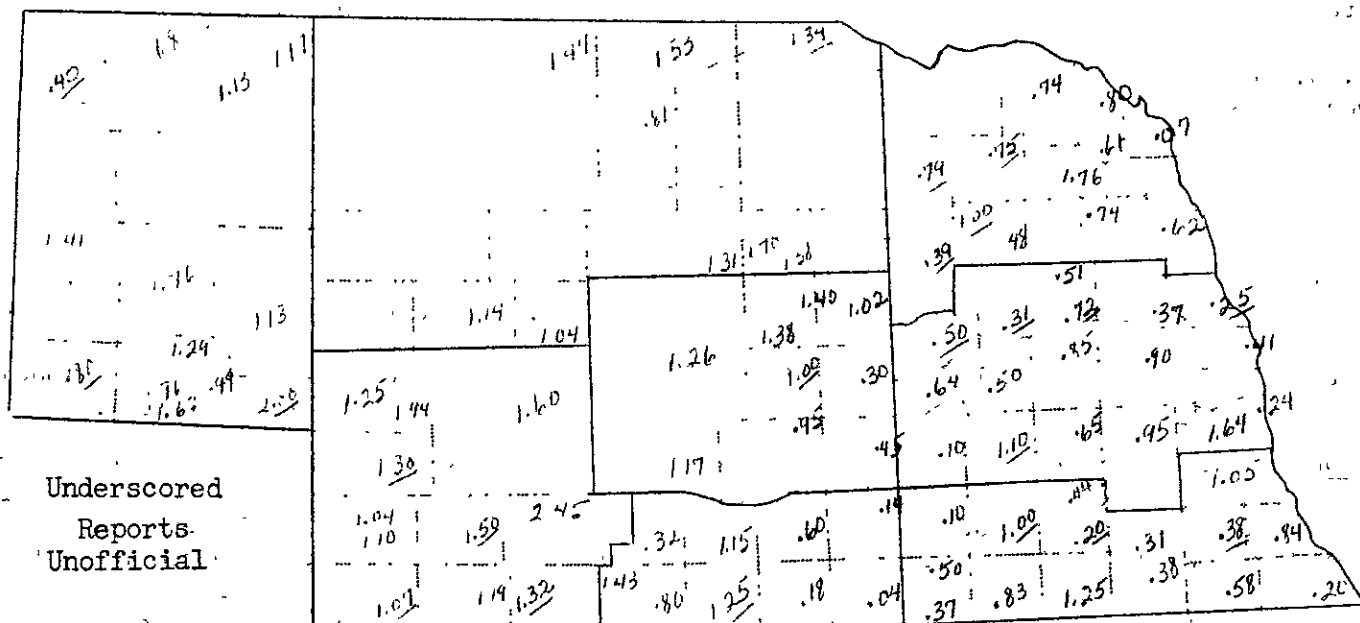
WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 25, 1961

East		Central		West	
Grand Island	.48	Burwell	1.70	Chadron	.68
Lincoln	1.14	North Platte	2.08	Imperial	1.15
Norfolk	.52	Valentine	1.67	Scottsbluff	1.53
Omaha	.64			Sidney	1.73
Sioux City	.07				

Precipitation, April 1 - Sept. 22, 1961

	NW	NC	NE	CEN	EC	SW	SC	SE
Total past week	1.25	1.35	.80	.93	.65	1.40	.58	.56
Total since April 1	13.10	13.88	17.26	18.00	20.40	13.87	21.35	24.65
Long-time Avg. since April 1	12.35	14.76	17.75	16.13	18.74	14.16	16.61	20.59

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 22, 1961



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE (Highs for 24 hours ending at 12:01 a.m., and lows for 12 hours ending at 6:00 a.m. CST)

		Sept. 19th		20th		21st		22nd		23rd		24th		25th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	93	53	61	40	70	48	58	42	50	45	61	39	54	34
	Scottsbluff	89	52	60	44	69	47	60	41	49	41	60	40	51	36
	Sidney	87	57	64	45	67	45	64	42	45	40	57	40	43	32
NC	Burwell	83	51	66	43	52	45	74	44	57	42	55	42	51	
	Valentine	90	61	68	40	60	42	62	43	57	46	49	42	55	32
NE	Norfolk	81	59	76	53	61	49	77	48	58	44	51	38	57	34
	Sioux City	81	58	79	59	62	47	80	52	57	47	48	40	61	40
CEN	Grand Island	82	58	73	52	62	50	79	50	60	41	54	43	54	35
EC	Lincoln	79	60	78	62	65	53	81	51	60	44	48	44	64	43
	Omaha	80	57	76	60	61	52	78	50	58	43	47	42	56	40
SW	Imperial	89	62	72	42	69	43	71	46	51	43	54	44	48	31
	North Platte	85	61	71	46	61	47	71	45	52	45	52	45	47	28

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